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1. PACIFIC ISLAND STATES

AP (7/31) REPORTS EA'S HOLBROOKE TOLD SENATE SUBCMTE ON
EA/PACIFIC AFFAIRS MONDAY THAT SOVIET AND PRC ARE SHOWING
GROWING INTEREST IN NEWLY EMERGING ISLAND NATIONS OF S
PACIFIC, BUT ARE NOT MAKING POL INROADS IN REGION. ISLAND
STATES, BY VIRTUE OF THEIR BACKGROUND/DEMOCRATIC INSTITU-
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TIONS/ECON INTERESTS, ARE PRIMARILY ORIENTED TOWARD WEST.
ACCORDING HOLBROOKE, SOVIET CONCERN APPEARS LIMITED TO
ADVANCING ITS FISHING INTERESTS/DIPLO STANDING AGAINST THAT
OF US/PRC; SAID PEKING ALSO INTERESTED IN EXPANDING ITS
DIPLO PRESENCE IN COMPETITION WITH SOVIET AND WITH ROC.

HOLBROOKE SAW NO EVIDENCE AT PRESENT TIME THAT USSR IS
ABOUT TO MAKE MAJOR POL/STRATEGIC INROADS IN ISLAND STATES.
SAID THERE IS RESERVOIR OF GREAT GOODWILL TOWARDS US
AMONG S PACIFIC PEOPLES, AND THIS ENHANCES PROSPECTS FOR

CO-OP RELS BETWN THEM AND US. ADDED THAT "WILL BE TO OUR ADVANTAGE AS WELL AS TO THEIRS" TO FOSTER THIS GOODWILL. MAINTAINED EMERGING STATES WILL HAVE ROLE TO PLAY IN UN/ OTHER INTL FORUMS AS WELL.

2. CHINA

SPEAKING 7/31 AT REUNION IN PEKING TO MARK PLA'S 51ST ANNIVERSARY, TENG HSIAO-PING CALLED ON PLA TO BE PREPARED FOR WAR AND TO BUILD PRC INTO POWERFUL/MODERN SOCIETY, NCNA REPORTS. TENG PAID TRIBUTE TO MAO/CHOU FOR WHAT HE CALLED THEIR IMMORTAL HISTORICAL CONTRIBUTIONS IN LIBERATING THE COUNTRY AND FOUNDING NEW CHINA. ACCORDING TENG, STRUGGLE BETWN SUPERPOWERS FOR WORLD DOMINATION IS INTENSIFYING--WITH ONE "LATE-COMING SUPERPOWER" ENGAGING IN "HECTIC ARMS EXPANSION AND WAR PREPARATIONS" (REUTER HK 7/31).

CHINA AIRLINES ORDERS 4 AIRBUSES; ACCORDING "AIRBUS INDUSTRIE," ROC HAS ALSO AGREED TO TAKE OPTIONS ON 4 MORE A300-B4 AIRLINERS (JOC, PARIS; WSJ, TOULOUSE).

3. CHINA/JAPAN

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"JAPANESE ASSN FOR PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE" ANNOUNCED TUES THAT TRADE BETWN PRC AND JAPAN SOARED TO RECORD 2.14 BIL DOLS IN FIRST 6 MONTHS OF THIS YR-- REPRESENTING INCREASE OF NEARLY 43 PCT OVER SAME '77 PERIOD (REUTER TOKYO).

4. JAPAN

"YAMATO SHIMBUN" FUKUI BUREAU CHIEF UCHIYAMA RAMMED SEDAN CARRYING PM FUKUDA IN FUKUI MONDAY. ACCORDING POLICE, UCHIYAMA SHOUTED FROM HIS CAR AT PM, "HOW ARE YOU GOING TO DEAL WITH THE KURISU CASE?" (UPI, CHITRIB TOKYO). FUKUDA NOT HURT, UCHIYAMA ARRESTED/CHARGED WITH TRAFFIC OFFENSES (REUTER, WP FUKUI).

ACCORDING OFFICIAL SURVEY CONDUCTED IN JAPAN AND OVERSEAS BY PM'S OFFICE, 7 OUT OF 10 YOUNG JAPANESE ARE PROUD OF THEIR COUNTRY; BUT ONLY 20 PCT ARE PREPARED SACRIFICE THEIR LIVES IN ITS DEFENSE--FIGURE FAR LESS THAN IN MANY OTHER NATIONS (REUTER TOKYO).

IN BOOKLET ENTITLED "HOW JAPAN COMPETES," BRITISH ECONOMIST SAID MONDAY THAT SOLUTION TO JAPAN'S MASSIVE TRADE SURPLUS IS NOT RESTRICTIONS ON TRADE, BUT CONTINUED RISE IN YEN'S EXCHANGE VALUE AND RESTRUCTURING OF JAPANESE ECONOMY (UPI, JOC LONDON).

HIROSHIMA GENBAKU HOSPITAL ANNOUNCED TUES THAT 69 PEOPLE
SUFFERING FROM HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI A-BOMBING DIED IN
HIROSHIMA HOSPITALS LAST YR. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENT,

NEARLY 800 PEOPLE FROM MORE THAN DOZEN COUNTRIES OPENED
SERIES OF MTGS/MARCHES TO MARK 33RD ANNIVERSARY OF ALLIED
BOMB ATTACKS (REUTER HIROSHIMA).

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5. KOREA

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS CMTE MONDAY VOTED TO PROVIDE SK
56 MIL DOLS IN FOOD-FOR-PEACE AID, DESPITE ROKG'S FAILURE
TO CO-OP W/CONGRESSIONAL PROBES OF INFLUENCE BUYING IN
US, REUTER (7/31) REPORTS.

JOC REPORTS SEOUL TRADE FAIR, SOUTHGATE EXHIBITION HALL,
WILL BE HELD OCT 11-NOV 16.

6. PHILIPPINES

REUTER (MANILA) REPORTS US CONSULAR OFFICER PETER ORR
JUMPED TO HIS DEATH 7/31 FROM 7TH FLOOR OF MANILA MEDICAL
CENTER, WHERE HE WAS BEING TREATED, ACCORDING POLICE.

7. ASEAN

CHITRIB (REUTER) REPORTS DOS ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASEAN
MINISTERIAL MTG TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON AUG 2-4.

8. VIETNAM/CAMBODIA

REUTER (BANGKOK) CITES RADIO PP CHARGE THAT VN TRYING SET
UP MIL BASE IN PARROT'S BEAK. REUTER (BANGKOK 7/31)
QUOTES W DIPLOS THAT FIGHTING IS HEAVIEST IN SOME MONTHS.
UPI (BANGKOK 7/31) CITES INTELLIGENCE SOURCES IN BANGKOK
WHO CAUTION THAT CASUALTY ESTIMATES REPORTED BY BOTH SIDES
IN RECENT DAYS HAVE BEEN CONSISTENTLY EXAGGERATED (ALSO
GLOBE BANGKOK).

9. VIETNAM/CAMBODIA/CHINA

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SAME UPI REPORT CITES "KYODO" THAT PRC IS LIKELY TO
INCREASE ITS MIL ASSISTANCE TO CAMBODIA AS RESULT OF
OFFICIAL VISIT BY CAMBODIAN MIL DEL WHICH ARRIVED PEKING
SUNDAY. IN OTHER DEVELOPMENTS, SRV DEMANDED MONDAY THAT
PRC ACCEPT MORE THAN 4,000 ETHNIC CHINESE CAMPED ON BORDER

IN 2 N VIET PROVINCES (AP BANGKOK 7/31).

10. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

AP ALSO QUOTES THAI DEP FONMIN THAT SRV ASKED RTG TO SEND BACK REFUGEES WHO FLED COUNTRY AFTER '75 TAKEOVER/WISH TO RETURN VN.

11. VIETNAM/THAILAND

RETURNING FROM WK'S VISIT TO HANOI, THAI DEP FONMIN 7/31 SAID 2 COUNTRIES HAVE AGREED CONSIDER REPATRIATING 40,000 VIETS WHO FLED TO THAILAND 30 YRS AGO DURING 1ST INDOCHINA WAR. SAID SRV ASKED RTG FIND OUT IF THESE VIETS WANT RETURN HOME/IT IS RTG POLICY TO SEND BACK REFUGEES WHO WANT RETURN (REUTER BANGKOK 7/31).

12. THAILAND

THAI INTL AIRLINE CO ANNOUNCED TUES IT HAS AGREED BUY 3 BOEING 747 JUMBO AIRLINERS AT COST OF ABOUT 52 MIL DOLS EACH, WITH DELIVERY BETWN '81-'83.

13. VIETNAM

US DEL LEFT FOR VN MONDAY TO BRING BACK 25 ETHNIC VIETS HOLDING US PASSPORTS/TO STUDY POSSIBLE US FOOD/MEDICAL AID TO VN. UPI (BANGKOK 7/31) QUOTES STAFF MEMBER OF SENATE JUDICIARY CMTE THAT HE HOPES VISIT WILL "TAKE THE POISON OUT OF THE AIR" BETWN 2 COUNTRIES.

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ITALY'S NATL CO-OP LEAGUE HAS SIGNED ECON CO-OP AGREEMENT W/SRV TO SUPPLY CO-OPS W/DESIGNS, INSTALLATIONS, SPARE PARTS, ENTIRE FACTORIES FOR WOOD, MARBLE, CERAMICS, BAKERY INDUSTRIES. VIET CO-OPS WILL IN RETURN EXPORT COFFEE, TEA, FINE WOODS, RUBBER, CARPETS, HANDICRAFTS, FOODSTUFFS (UNICOM NEWS ROME, JOC 7/31).

14. INDONESIA

INDO POLICE HAVE UNCOVERED RACKET IN WHICH INDO FONMIN OFFICIALS BOUGHT FAKED UNIVERSITY DIPLOMAS TO ADVANCE THEMSELVES. REUTER (JAKARTA) QUOTES INDO POLICE THAT FORGED CERTIFICATES FROM 4 INDO UNIVS FETCHED ABOUT 600 DOLS EACH. SAID 4 FONMIN OFFICIALS SUCCEEDED IN WINNING EMBASSY APPOINTMENTS OVERSEAS ON STRENGTH OF FORGED DOCS/ 9 HAVE BEEN DETAINED FOR USING DIPLOMAS WHICH OFFICIALS FROM EDUC MIN/JAKARTA PROSECUTION OFFICE SAID TO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN SELLING.

OC'S LORENZ (BANGKOK) NOTES FON BANKS COMPETING TO FINANCE
JOC'S LORENZ (BANGKOK) NOTES FON BANKS COMPETING TO FINANCE
INDO'S AMBITIOUS TRANSMIGRATION POLICY, MOVING POP FROM
JAVA TO SUMATRA/OTHER OUTLYING TERRITORIES. SAYS GOI HOPING
RAISE 1 BIL DOLS/BOTH US/JAPANESE BANKS INTERESTED IN
FINANCING SCHEME. SAYS WB EXPECTED PROVIDE UP TO 60 PCT
OF LOAN W/REMAINING 40 PCT TO COME FROM COMMERCIAL BANKS.
SOME OF LOAN TO BE USED FOR EARTH MOVING EQUIP/COMMUNICA-
TIONS/POWER GENERATORS.

15. GENERAL

FONMINS OF WORLD'S NONALIGNED NATIONS WOUND UP BELGRADE
CONF SUN, AGREEING ON SERIES OF COMPROMISE DECLARATIONS
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ON MAJOR POL/ECON PROBLEMS/APPROVING SUMMIT CONF FOR NEXT
YR IN HAVANA. FINAL DOC AVOIDED MOST OF MAJOR ISSUES THAT
SPLIT 6-DAY CONF--PARTICULARLY CAMBODIAN-VIET WAR. BUT
ACCORD NYT (BELGRADE), IT DID RAISE NUMBER OF ISSUES MOST
IMPORTANT TO 3RD WORLD: DEMANDS FOR FURTHER CONCESSIONS
FROM DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN N-S ECON TALKS; SOLUTION OF
POL/MIL PROBLEMS W/O INTERFERENCE BY MAJOR POWERS;
SETTLEMENT OF MIDEAST DISPUTE ON ARAB TERMS. NOTES
CAMBODIA URGED CONDEMNATION OF "EXPANSIONISM," WHICH IS
CODE WORD FOR VIET MIL ACTIONS AGAINST ITS COUNTRY/PRC'S
SUPPORTERS AGREED BECAUSE EXPANSIONISM IS CHINA'S CODE
WORD FOR SOVIET FONPOL. OBSERVES NONE OF MAJOR ISSUES
RESOLVED, EG. CAMBODIA FAILED HAVE VN EJECTED FROM BODY.
EARLIER, CUBAN FONMIN ACCUSED US OF GIVING ORDERS TO 15
NONALIGNED NATIONS TO DISRUPT CONF/NAMED 6, INCL
CAMBODIA (FLEMING, LAT BELGRADE 7/30).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

16. KOREA

LAT EDIT (7/31) SAYS SENATE'S ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT RE-
QUIRING PRESIDENTIAL CONSULTATION W/CONGRESS BEFORE PULLING
OUT US FORCES IS SOMETHING LIKE RESOLUTION AGAINST SIN--
CHANCE GO ON RECORD W/SENTIMENTS THAT WILL DO NO POL HARM
AND COULD CONCEIVABLY DO SOME GOOD. ASSERTS ONE OF
STRONGEST ARGUMENTS FOR TROOP PHASEOUT COMES FROM SK'S
OWN MIL ESTIMATES, AND ADMIN'S GROUND FORCES W/DRAWAL PLAN
IS EVIDENCE IT CONCURS W/THIS ESTIMATE.

SUN EDIT NOTES JAWORSKI PUTS BEST FACE ON ADMITTEDLY IN-
COMPLETE HOUSE ETHICS CMTE PROBE OF KOREAN BRIBERY SCANDAL
BY SAYING IT WILL DISCOURAGE OTHER LEGISLATORS FROM
ENGAGING IN SIMILAR ACTIVITY. "WILL IT?" SUN ASKS. OR,
INSTEAD, WILL KOREAN INVESTIGATION SIMPLY SERVE AS PRIMER
ON HOW ELUDE PUNISHMENT, IF NOT DETECTION, WHILE TAKING

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MONEY FROM FON INTERESTS.

PHINQ EDIT (7/31) FEARS SCANDAL OF SK BRIBERY/INFLUENCE-
BUYING AMONG US CONGRESSMEN "IS BEING LOST IN DARKNESS."
COMPLAINS THAT GETTING "FRIENDLY LOUISIANA JURY" TO CONVICT
PASSMAN MAY NOT BE IMPOSSIBLE, BUT ALL TALK OF HIS TURNING
GOVT WITNESS HAS BEEN STILLED. DENOUNCES THIS AS BUT ONE

OF DISTURBING MANY SLIPS/FAILURES/HYPOCRICIES WHICH
HAVE TAINTED ADMIN'S AND DEMOCRATIC HOUSE LEADERSHIP'S
RESPONSES TO KOREAN SCANDALS. VANCE

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